AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 application of international application number PCT/IB2004/050462, filed on April 15, 2004, which claims priority to German application numbers103 17 794.9 filed on April 16, 2003 and 102004001613.5 filed on January 9, 2004, the contents of which are incorporated by reference in their entirety.

FIELD OF INVENTION

Please add the following new section heading after the paragraph ending at page 1, line 7:

BACKGROUND

Please add the following new section heading after the paragraph ending at page 3, line 27:

SUMMARY

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DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING

Figure 1 is a schematic drawing of a frontal tensile die.

Figure 2 is a schematic illustration of different surface contours in a microtome section analysis after different pre-treatments.

Figure 3 includes scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images (1,500 fold and 3,000 fold) from microtome section investigations according to the present invention.

Figure 4 includes SEM images (1,500 fold and 3,000 fold) from microtome section investigations according to the state of the art.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Please delete previous abstract at page 23 and add the following new abstract:

A method for producing an article having a surface formed of a composite material. It includes microstructuring a surface of a non-metallic substrate; and depositing a metallic layer onto the surface of the non-metallic substrate without applying an external current. In this method, the non-metallic substrate contains at least one polymer and a composite material that includes a non-metallic substrate and a metal layer thereon and has an adhesive strength of at least 4 N/mm^2.